

**\*\*\* Nottingham Police Department COVID-19 containment response for immediate release \*\*\***

The men and women of the Nottingham Police Department are committed to providing the best services we can for our community. As part of this effort, we are taking steps to help prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) to our officers and the general public.

To balance benefits and risks to the public and officers, and to minimize virus spread, the Nottingham Police Department is taking the following preventative steps.

- The Nottingham Police Department will be limiting our face-to-face interactions when possible to help maintain a healthy police force that is able to continue providing the services our community has come to expect.
  - For non-emergency services contact the Nottingham Police Department by phone.  
(603) 679-1506, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Until further notice, please avoid coming to the police department for non-emergencies.
  - When needed for non-emergencies, an Officer will then be assigned to you by phone.
  - Officers will accept victim/witness statements and any related photos via facsimile or email.
    - Fax Line (603) 679-1504
    - [nottinghampd@nottingham-nh.gov](mailto:nottinghampd@nottingham-nh.gov) (checked during normal office hours)
  - Non-Emergency services such as fingerprinting for employment/background purposes and verifying vehicle identification numbers (VINs) will be temporarily suspended.
- Continue to call 911 for emergencies.
- Officers will continue to respond to all emergency or “in progress” calls.
  - When an officer response is necessary, please understand that responders are likely to keep a safe distance and will refrain from activities such as shaking hands; please do not take offense. Officers will continue to do their best to assist you, while reducing your and their sharing of germs.

OUR PERSONNEL WILL CONTINUE TO RESPOND TO IN PROGRESS CALLS, CRIMES OF VIOLENCE AND CRIMES AGAINST A PERSON.

We will continue to monitor this ever-evolving situation, and keep the community updated regarding changes in our procedures. Please call us if you have concerns with this information.

New Hampshire has initiated their 211 system, and anyone with questions related to this virus can dial 211 and get further information. <http://www.211nh.org/news/coronavirus-covid-19-information/>

Below are several links which will provide further information on this issue and recommendations for health and safety as it relates to COVID-19.

NH Dept. Of Health & Human Services  
<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/2019-ncov.htm>

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention  
<https://www.cdc.gov>

World Health Organization  
<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>